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In re Application of

FODOR ET AL

Serial No. 09/585,659

Filed: June 2, 2000

For: PRODUCTS FOR DETECTING
NUCLEIC ACIDS



Group Art Unit: 1655

Examiner: Zitomer

September 17, 2001

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 15, 2001, please amend the above
application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1 of the substitute specification, amend the 1st ¶ to read as follows:

This is a continuation of Appln. No. 09/362,089, filed July 28, 1998, pending;
which is a divisional of Appln. No. 09/056,927, filed April 8, 1998, now U.S. Pat. No.
6,197,506; which is a continuation of Appln. No. 08/670,118, filed June 25, 1996,
now U.S. Pat. No. 5,800,992; which is a divisional of Appln. No. 08/168,904, filed
December 15, 1993, now abandoned; which is a continuation of Appln. No.
07/624,114, filed December 6, 1990, now abandoned; which is a continuation-in-part
of commonly assigned Appln. No. 07/492,462, filed March 7, 1990, now U.S. Pat.